

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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TAKEHIKO KAWASAKI ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2856
Application No.: 10/559,532)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 1278
Filed: December 2, 2005)	
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For: SHEET MATERIAL IDENTIFYING)	June 17, 2010
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TREATING APPARATUS AND)	
SHEET MATERIAL IDENTIFYING	:	
METHOD)	

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RESPONSE TO DISMISSAL OF REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN
PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM
AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

Sir:

In response to the Decision on Request to Participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway Program and Petition to Make Special Under 37 CFR 1.102(d), Applicants submit herewith the accompanying Preliminary Amendment and the following remarks.

The above Request To Participate In The PPH was dismissed on grounds that Applicants did not meet the requirement of ensuring that all claims in the U.S. application sufficiently correspond to the patentable claims in the JPO application. In response, Applicants

submit herewith a Preliminary Amendment which amends claims 1, 6, 7, 10 and 11. With these amendments, Applicants respectfully submit that the U.S. application now sufficiently corresponds to the patentable claims in the JPO application.

The claims correspondence table remains the same as set forth in the original request, namely:

Claims in US Application	Patentable Claims in JPO Application
1	1
2	4
3	5
4	6
5	4
6	7
7	2
8	3
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10	9
11	10

Applicants submit that all requirements for participation in the PPH program have now been met at request participation in the Patent Prosecution Highway between the JPO and the USPTO.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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